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## PRESS RELEASE

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**SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:**

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For the sixth year in a row, the Placer County Sheriff's Office has been honored for hosting one of the best National Night Out events in the U.S. In 2014, they placed thirteenth, just behind much larger jurisdictions like Los Angeles County and Minneapolis, Minn.

National Night Out, "America's Night Out Against Crime," began in 1984 to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The National Night Out program culminates annually, on the first Tuesday of August

Placer County first-responders visit established Neighborhood Watch groups, which hold ice cream socials, barbecues and all sorts of get-togethers. National Night Out now involves more than 37.8 million people and 16,124 communities from all fifty states, U.S. Territories, Canadian cities, and military bases worldwide.

"Placer County groups embody the spirit of Neighborhood Watch," said Sheriff Ed Bonner. "Through their efforts and dedication, residents remain committed to the safety of their neighborhoods."

Neighborhoods interested in creating a Neighborhood Watch group are encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at (530) 889-7800.